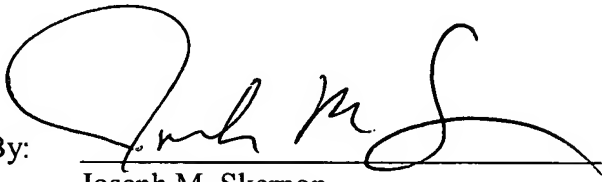


**REMARKS**

The genealogy of the subject application, for benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120, has been clarified. It is believed that no addition fee is due for entering this amendment, However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for any deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

Joseph M. Skerpon  
Registration No. 29,864

Date: February 24, 2004

Banner & Witcoff, Ltd.  
1001 G Street, N.W. 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20001-4597  
202-824-3000  
JMS/bao